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MS PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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Enclosed are:

\boxtimes	A specification consisting of Sixty-nine (69) pages
	() sheet(s) formal drawings
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
	Applicant does not claim priority
	Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 2003-032584 filed in JAPAN on February 10, 2003. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow.

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	Executed Declaration ($igtiesize$ Original $igcapsilon$ Photocopy)
$\checkmark \boxtimes$	An assignment of the invention
	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
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